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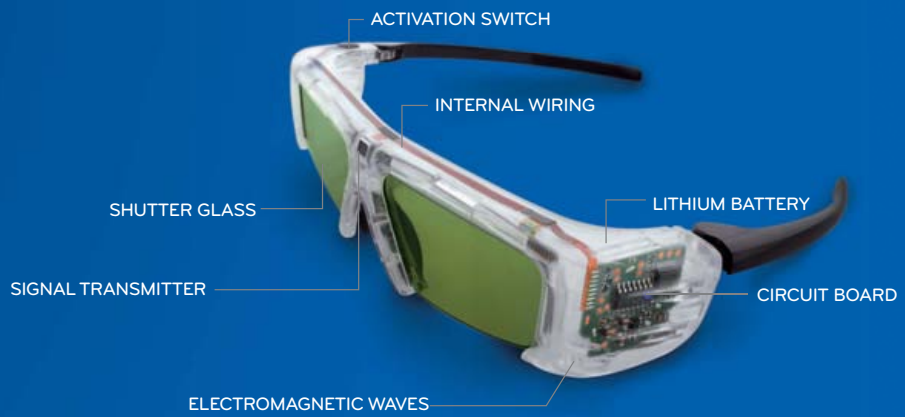

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Hisense 47 inch 3D LED TV (LEDN47T36R3D)

Enjoy the lifelike 3D clarity offered by LED technology in this sleek and slim 3D LED TV that offers the best of Hisense's Live Smart technology.

› KEY FEATURES

- 60 Hz
- Full HD
- Four HDMI ports
- Two USB ports
- VGA input
- LED backlighting
- Easy media functionality
- Supplied with swirl stand

› RATING

★★★★☆

Hisense 55 inch TV (55XT710)

Crystal clarity is the order of the day with this supersize 3D LED TV. Onscreen performance astounds even more when you consider the thin panel – advanced technology that takes up as little space as possible on your wall, giving you maximum effect from your wall mounted TV. It is supplied with a stand for versatile viewing options.

› KEY FEATURES

- Backlit LED
- SRS audio
- Wifi capable
- Stable X-shaped stand
- Touch menu buttons on screen
- Super-thin design and elegant styling
- Effective cooling design prevents excessive heating
- Two USB ports and two audio and video input groups

› RATING

★★★★☆

Hisense 55 inch LED 3D TV (55T39)

View your content in lifelike 3D LED reality, with this TV that opens your world to online applications and shared content. Use it to view your photographs and other media from your mobile devices. A child lock, sleep timer and subtitle options add to its wide range of features that reveal its carefully considered design.

› KEY FEATURES

- 3D full HD
- Four HDMI ports
- One USB port
- Three year guarantee
- Edge-lit LED
- View photographs in JPEG, BMP, PNG
- Offers Yahoo widgets and Opera, an open web browser

› RATING

★★★★☆

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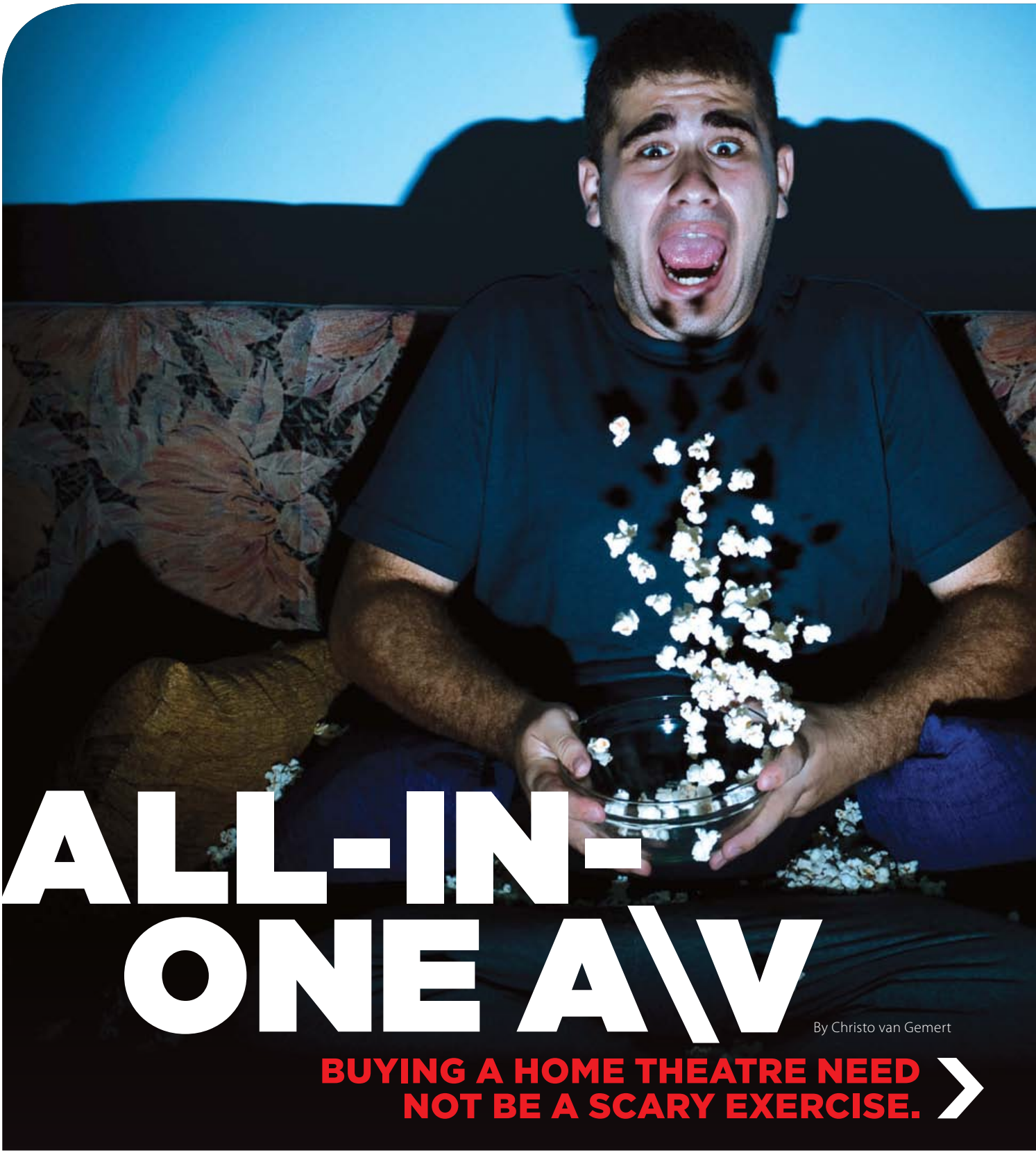

ALL-IN-ONE A\V

By Christo van Gemert

BUYING A HOME THEATRE NEED NOT BE A SCARY EXERCISE.

Gone are the days of complicated separate components – instead, you can now get everything you need for an immersive surround sound experience in one or two large boxes.

The formal term is "home theatre in a box", but chances are – with some of these systems – you'll need to load two large boxes into your car. Both LG and Sony have great home theatre solutions with enormous speakers. These are great for impressing visitors, and even better for annoying the neighbours – not that we'd endorse any violation of your local peace and quiet laws.

Of course, you don't have to opt for a large, in-your-face solution. Many people prefer a more compact and elegant system, if not for space contraints then simply to have a subtle approach to the same problem. Fortunately, there are all-in-one home theatre systems for nearly every scenario. They'll all deliver great 5.1 (or more) surround sound, and forever change the way you listen to movies. But there are some important considerations when it comes to choosing what you'd like…

Superpower!

It's not always about how much power your home theatre system puts out, but rather how you use it. A great system will sound excellent at both low and high volume levels, while a cheaper setup will sacrifice the subtlety for outright power. This might not be a problem if you live somewhere with no noise limits, but not everybody is in a position to watch Die Hard at full blast.

Systems with smaller speakers will excel in this area, because tiny satellite drivers produce sound our ears are more sensitive to. Systems with multiple large subwoofers produce sound that travels through walls, and that could be a problem if you live in an apartment complex. Ultimately, don't base your purchasing decision purely on the numbers printed on the box – and remember, power quoted in RMS is a more meaningful than power quoted in PMPO.

Receiver of signals

All "home theatre in a box" systems will have a central receiver, whether it's a device that purely amplifies the speakers or an all-in-one DVD/Blu-ray player. This receiver is what powers the speakers and should also have ports for your other devices. More affordable systems will have a receiver/DVD combo device, and these may not have additional inputs for other devices. For instance, if you have an Xbox 360 or PS3, you might not be able to connect it to these systems.

If you wish to use your home theatre kit in conjunction with other devices, make sure that there are audio input ports for linking those other devices. Common inputs include: SPDIF optical or SPDIF coaxial ports, RCA stereo jacks, HDMI, and 3.5mm stereo headphone jacks. Larger receivers may have multiple HDMI input ports, allowing you to connect all your devices to the receiver. The receiver will then play audio for the connected devices, while switching between them – rather than switching channels on your TV.

Outputs are also important. If you have an LCD or plasma TV you will almost definitely have an HDMI port. Any potential home theatre kit should have at least an HDMI output, along with older, analogue video outputs.

Speaker convenience

Your choice of home theatre system may be determined by the speakers included in the kit. Whether you'd like some powerful speakers that take up a lot of space, or small satellite drivers you can hide behind on a bookshelf, positioning is very important to get a proper surround sound effect. Don't just line up the speakers in front of your TV. The instruction manuals included with home theatre kits will have very clear advice on where to position the speakers: centre, front and surround.

Chances are that a subwoofer will also be included, and positioning this is very important. Due to the way that sound works, you will need to find a spot in your room from which the bass frequencies are best heard. Finding the best position for a subwoofer involves a bit of trial and error, but the results will pay off.

HOME THEATRES

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› Don't settle for anything but the best when you want visuals and sound that make you feel like you're right there, in the moment.

Samsung Home Theater HT-D4500

Samsung brings you Blu-ray at its finest. This home theatre allows multiple file format playback, and you can add to your media collection via its wireless network options. Samsung's BD Wise inter-connectivity features plays back media from peripheral Samsung devices at Blu-ray resolution. Numerous options give you complete control of your viewing experience.

› KEY FEATURES

- Smart Hub lets you download paid or free applications through a network.
- AllShare plays media through the home theatre, via a network
- iPod and iPhone support
- Virtual 7.1 CH sound
- Audio Return Channel uses just one HDMI cable

› RATING ★★★★½

LG Blu-ray Home Theatre HB806SH

This home theatre from LG will be a great partner for your 3D TV. Its Bass Blast feature produces serious sound that will maximise your 3D experience, giving that cinema effect right in your lounge. The slimline speakers can be wall mounted, while the stylish design will complement your home décor.

› KEY FEATURES

- Bass blast
- Wall mountable speakers
- Netcast function
- External HDD playback
- 3D TV matching design
- DLNA enabled devices
- 3D Blu-ray disc playback
- HD contents playback

› RATING ★★★★½

Samsung Home Theatre HT-D5300

Keep it social with this Samsung home theatre – online access will give you the means to view YouTube content, music from sharing sites, and updates from social networks. WiFi ready, this home theatre needs no cables or wiring to hop onto your home network – making it easy for you to choose from diverse types of content to suit your mood.

› KEY FEATURES

- iPod/iPhone compatible
- Supports Blu-ray, DVD, DVD-R, DVD-RW, DIVX, CD, DD-R
- 3D enabled
- WiFi ready
- Access online content
- HDMI 1.4 with audio return channel

› RATING ★★★★½

Philips Immersive Sound Home Theatre HTS-3560

Be enchanted by the tangible difference that Active 3D from Philips will bring to your home entertainment experience. Special 3D glasses operate in synchrony with the images on screen, with Blu-ray's uncompressed sound adding to the crisp reality of your viewing experience. Slick design and unique touch controls round off the appeal of this superior set.

› RATING ★★★★½

› KEY FEATURES

- Powerful speakers
- Dolby TrueHD and DTS-HD sound
- Sleek high-gloss finish with touch controls
- Compact design
- Full HD 3D Blu-ray
- Plays from 3D Blu-ray discs, DVD, VCD, CD and USB
- HDMI 1080p upscales to high definition
- Standby power consumption < 0.9W

Feel everything you hear.

Introducing Samsung's Smart 3D component system.

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Samsung SMART 3D COMPONENT Blu-ray 3D

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LG Home Theatre SR906SB

LG keeps you connected with options that allow you to connect your HD games console, set-top box and Blu-ray player to this home theatre, making sure you can enjoy the best quality sound, no matter what media you're enjoying. A wide range of personalized settings keeps you in control of your home theatre experience.

KEY FEATURES

- 3HDMI in and 2 optical connections are great for HD gaming
- Audio Return Channel means you need one HDMI cable
- USB socket for connecting iPod or iPhone
- Fibre-optic cable connections
- External HDD playback
- 180 watts per channel
- 200 watt subwoofer
- Powerful personalized sound

RATING ★★★★☆

LG Home Theatre 3D Blu-ray HB806TH

This home entertainment system can be easily integrated into your home cinema and hi-fi set up, straight out of the box. A USB slot allows for direct playback of videos, music and images from USB storage devices, and it can be hooked up to your LAN to stream content via your home computer.

KEY FEATURES

- 850W tallboy speakers
- Wireless technology and WiFi Direct
- Two HDMI-in and one HDMI-out
- Smart phone RCU
- iPod compatible
- Dolby Digital and DTS sound
- Blu-ray player
- Also plays CDs, DVDs, MP3, MPEG 4, MKV, WAV and JPEG files.

RATING ★★★★½

Samsung Home Theatre HT-D5350 BDP Tall Boy

Featuring BD Wise 1080p up-scaling, this home theatre optimizes picture settings for the highest quality DVD playback. Samsung's ConnectShare capability lets you play back different types of images and files via the USB port, while AllShare technology lets you share multimedia content with other devices in your home network. BD Live lets you download additional content and interactive features via your Internet connection.

KEY FEATURES

- 1000 watts
- Four tallboy speakers
- Blu-ray player
- iPod/iPhone ready
- 2GB local, built in storage
- Crystal Amplifier Plus available
- Network service widget

RATING ★★★★½

Philips Home Theatre HTS-5592

Keep connected at every turn with this Philips home theatre that offers a wide range of playback options and file formats. Partner with a 3D TV and be enthralled with full HD 3D TV. The DLNA network capability offers easy access to photos, music, videos or movies shared via your home network, using an intuitive user interface. DoubleBASS enhances bass tones delivering an uncompromised listening experience, no matter the source media.

KEY FEATURES

- 3D angled speakers to disperse sound evenly
- Dolby TrueHD and DTS-HD for hifi surround sound
- DoubleBASS technology for full and deep bass
- Full HD 3D Blu-ray
- DLNA network link to share content from your PC
- Wireless rear speakers for clutter-free placement
- Picture enhancement, progressive scan and video upscaling

RATING ★★★★½

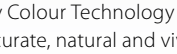
Samsung Home Theatre HT-D5550K BDP Tall Boy

Take home entertainment to a new level with this multi-functional home theatre that even lets the karaoke star in you come out to play! iPod/iPhone compatible, this Samsung system is wireless ready as well, letting you stream content from any enabled device in your home network. 3D depth sound adds to the mix in this 1000W powerhouse.

› KEY FEATURES

- Blu-ray player
- USB host
- iPod dock
- Smart volume
- Power bass
- Plays wide variety of file formats
- Connect to wireless LN
- 1GB of local storage memory

› RATING



Sansui HT-4000 Component Home Theatre System

This component-based home theatre system packs a powerful visual punch that is only challenged by the super-powerful sound it yields. Focusing on sound rather than on image, this is a good choice if music is your medium, with superior sound quality being the top of your selection list.

› KEY FEATURES

- 5000W peak music power output
- 120 RMS active sub-woofer
- USB SD card playback
- Gold-plated output terminal
- Individual component amplifier and DVD
- Simple plug and play connection via DIXV

› RATING

Sony Home Theatre DDW4500 Blu-ray

Make a statement with this complete home theatre system that focuses on delivering great sound for every entertainment option. Choose the auto-setting to match the soundtrack of your life, whether you're gaming, watching a Blu-ray movie or just sitting back and listening to your favourite music. Easy to set up, the system is supplied with all the cabling you will need.

› KEY FEATURES

- Blu-ray playback
- 5.2ch sound, with total power output of 1190W RMS
- Dolby Digital, Dolby Prologic and Dolby Prologic II
- DTS and 96k/24 bit PCM
- Sound Field programs for different media options
- Auto and direct tuning
- Single optical input

› RATING

Sony Home Theatre DDW5400

This component system's Digital Cinema Auto Calibration automatically calibrates its performance according to the size and construction of your home theatre room, using the supplied calibration microphone, giving you true Sony Digital Cinema Sound in your home. x.v Colour Technology displays the entire colour palette, giving you accurate, natural and vivid colours onscreen.

› KEY FEATURES

- 1510W total power output
- 6.2 amplifier channels
- Full range of Dolby
- 60 preset tuner channels
- A/V sync
- 9 DIG dot matrix display
- Digital media port
- Portable audio enhancer

› RATING

Sony Home Theatre DDW7600

Good looking and smart too – the DDW 7600 features Digital Cinema Auto Calibration, what will adjust the device's settings to give you the best possible sound performance for the construction of your room. It reads multiple media file formats, with song title and track information conveniently displayed onscreen. Sony's x.v.Colour technology lets you enjoy 1.8 times the quality of existing HD TV signals.

› RATING ★★★★½

› KEY FEATURES

- Seven channel surround sound
- Floor-standing front speakers with compression horn loaded tweeter
- Digital Cinema Auto Calibration for automatic speaker setup
- Total power output of 1695W
- 60 preset tuner channels
- Bravia Sync
- x.v.Colour

Philips Immersive Sound Home Theatre HTS3541

Philips can be trusted to bring the best of surround sound to your home entertainment experience. Exposed speakers pack extra punch, while slick design complements your home décor. It accepts all file formats, and Philips iLink lets you connect your iPod/iPhone/iPad or MP3 player, making it a multi-purpose system that lets you make the most of your media.

› RATING ★★★★½

› KEY FEATURES

- Dolby TrueHD and DTS-HD surround sound
- 300W RMS power
- Plays Blu-ray discs, DVD, VCD, CD and USB
- HDMI for hi-def movies
- Easy access to YouTube and Picasa
- EasyLink universal remoty
- Accepts multiple file formats
- Standby power consumption < 0.9W

Samsung Home Theatre (HW-E5500/XA)

Get your home theatre setup going with this key component that offers you the opportunity to choose a model to suit your needs, while still enjoying the superior sound quality and performance that Samsung has built its outstanding reputation on. Easy to use and simple to set up, this home theatre is a winning choice.

› RATING ★★★★☆

› KEY FEATURES

- 3D Sound
- Digital signal processing to minimize signal distortion
- Dolby Digital sound for up to 5.1 channels
- Dolby Pro Logic II processes high quality stereo signal source into five full frequency channels
- Digital Theatre Systems (DTS) provides digital audio signal for music and movie content
- Anynet+ allows you to use your TV remote with this device
- Can be purchased with DVD, Blu-ray or 3D Blu-ray, according to customer's needs

› GET IT WITH:

Samsung 3D Blu-Ray Disc Player (BD-D5500)

The world of technology is rapidly becoming all about apps, and this disc player is an entry point into Samsung's growing array of premium apps that connect you to your favourite content. Connecting the device to your home network allows you to view files on your PC, camera and other mobile devices, while the slim, simple design and high gloss finish make it a stylish addition to your home theatre environment.

› RATING ★★★★☆

› KEY FEATURES

- Access to Samsung Apps
- 2D and 3D in full HD 1080p
- 3D enabled playback, if you have 3D active shutter glasses
- Sync multiple devices with AllShare DLNA technology
- Ultra Fast Play means that you don't have to wait to watch your favourite content
- Plays back MPEG2, MPEG4, DivX HD and WMV files
- Two USB ports and one Ethernet port